

City of San Diego

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

May 18, 2010

TO:

Eduardo Luna, City Auditor

Audit Committee Members

orna Frize Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Councilmember Donna Frye

Councilmember Carl DeMaio

RE:

Performance Audit of Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant

(EECGB) Projects and Home Energy Retrofit Programs

As you prepare your Audit Work Plan for FY 2011 and FY 2012, we respectfully request the inclusion of a performance audit of the EECGB Municipal Energy Efficiency and Home Energy Retrofit programs.

The Natural Resources & Culture (NR&C) Committee has discussed and supported motions requesting performance audits of both of these programs.

In particular, we request that the following items be examined as part of the performance audit:

- A review of EECGB program implementation by January 30, 2011 that will examine both the progress of implementation as well as how closely the implementation matches City Council directives associated with the program, including an examination of program expenditures:
 - o \$3 million for upgrading City-owned street lights with energy efficient systems from a California Energy Commission Loan
 - o \$3 million for Residential Energy and Efficiency and Water Conservation programs for economically disadvantaged and pre-1978 households
 - o \$2 million for City of San Diego street light retrofits

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- \$1.5 million for Residential Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation Program
- o \$250,000 for a Climate Protection Action Plan for the City of San Diego
- o \$1 million for administrative oversight
- o Any remaining funds from the \$250,000 used for EECGB Ad Hoc Committee efforts
- o \$2.5 million for implementing the Municipal Facilities Energy Efficiency Projects
- o \$2 million for upgrades to various City buildings in Balboa Park
- A program evaluation by June 30, 2012 that examines the extent to which the goals of the EECGB program have been achieved.

Further, we request the City Auditor examine the implementation of the City's Home Energy Retrofit Programs. This examination should include:

- A review of program implementation by January 30, 2011 that will examine both the progress of the implementation as well how closely the implementation matches the City Council resolution associated with the program.
- A program evaluation by June 30, 2012 that examines the results of the program, specifically to what extent the goals for the program have been achieved.

We appreciate your consideration of our request, and encourage you to contact our offices with any questions you may have regarding the scope of this suggested performance audit.